

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

CHIBOUT ET AL.

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FOR: MARKER GENES FOR DETERMINING RENAL TOXICITY

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2007. Reconsideration of the present rejections and withdrawal of the present rejections are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.